

**REMARKS**

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-9, 11-19 and 21-24. The election is without traverse.

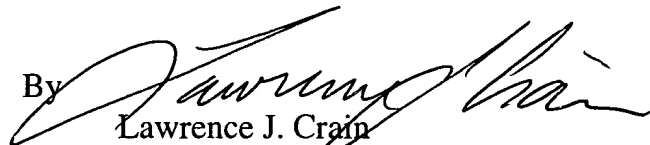
Applicants respectfully submit that in view of the above-identified election, all of the issues raised in the paper mailed October 2, 2003 (Paper No. 14) have been addressed.

In the event the Examiner discovers additional issues which may be resolved by a telephone interview, he is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned Attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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